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**EXAMPLE 5**

**High-level NPTII expression facilitates efficient  
recovery of transplastomic lines by selection for  
kanamycin resistance**

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The plastid genome of higher plants is a 120-kb to 160-kb double-stranded DNA which is present in 1,900 to 50,000 copies per leaf cell (Bendich, 1987). To obtain genetically stable transplastomic lines every one of the plastid genome copies (ptDNA) should be uniformly altered in a plant. Since integration of foreign DNA always occurs by homologous recombination, plastid transformation vectors contain segments of the plastid genome to target insertions at specific locations. Useful, non-selectable genes are cloned next to the selectable marker genes, which are then introduced into the plastid genome by linkage to the selectable marker gene (Maliga, 1993). Transforming DNA is introduced into plastids by the biolistic process (Svab et al., 1990; Svab and Maliga, 1993) or PEG treatment (Golds et al., 1993; O'Neil et al., 1993). Elimination of wild-type genome copies occurs during repeated cell divisions on a selective medium. The success of transformation depends on the success of selective amplification of the few initially transformed genome copies. Therefore the choice of the antibiotic used for the selective amplification of transformed genome copies and the mechanism by which the plant cells are protected from

antibiotic action is a critical parameter to be considered for successful generation of homoplasmic plants.

5 The most commonly used antibiotic for the selection of transplastomic lines is spectinomycin, an inhibitor of protein synthesis on plastid ribosomes. Initially, plastid transformation in tobacco was carried out by selection for resistance based on mutations in the plastid 16S rRNA (Svab et al., 1990). Selection was  
10 inefficient, yielding about one transplastomic clone per 50 bombarded samples, probably because the 16S rRNA based mutation is recessive. Recovery of transplastomic lines was enhanced ~100-fold by selection for a dominant marker, spectinomycin resistance based on inactivation  
15 by aminoglycoside 3' adenylyltransferase encoded in a chimeric *aadA* gene (Svab and Maliga, 1993). In addition to tobacco, selection for spectinomycin resistance (*aadA*) could be applied to recover transplastomic lines in *Arabidopsis* and potato. The *aadA* gene in plants  
20 confers resistance to both spectinomycin and streptomycin. Selection for streptomycin resistance was used for plastid transformation in rice, a species resistant to spectinomycin, after bombardment with a chimeric *aadA* gene. See Example 8.

25 The need for an alternative marker gene for plastid manipulation has led to testing kanamycin resistance as a selective marker. A chimeric *neo* (*kan*) gene, encoding neomycin phosphotransferase, was suitable to recover transplastomic tobacco lines. However, recovery of  
30 transplastomic lines was relatively inefficient, yielding only one transplastomic line in ~25 bombarded leaf samples. Furthermore, for every plastid transformation event ~25 to 50 kanamycin resistant lines

were obtained in which integration of the plastid *neo* construct into the nuclear genome resulted in kanamycin resistance (Carrer et al., 1993). We report here that the efficiency of recovering transplastomic clones is significantly improved when transforming tobacco chloroplasts with a new *neo* gene expressed from a promoter with the *atpB* and *clpP* translation control region. The number of nuclear transformation events is reduced using the cassettes of the present invention. These improvements make the new *neo* gene a practical tool for plastid genome manipulations.

#### DISCUSSION

The chimeric *neo* genes described in Examples 1-4 were introduced into plastids by selection for the linked spectinomycin resistance (*aadA*) gene as their suitability for directly selecting transplastomic lines was unknown. The transplastomic lines listed in Table 3 were then tested for resistance to kanamycin by their ability to proliferate on a medium containing 50 mg/L kanamycin. The RMOP medium used for testing induces formation of green callus and shoot regeneration in the absence of kanamycin. The tissue culture procedures utilized for this example are described in references Carrer et al., 1993 and Carrer and Maliga, 1995.

On the selective kanamycin medium only scanty, white callus forms from wild-type leaf section. Formation of green callus and shoots from leaf section of plants transformed with pHK plasmids in Table 3 indicates that accumulation of NPTII confers kanamycin resistance. We set out to test if transplastomic clones can be directly selected by kanamycin resistance after bombardment with

plasmids pHK30 and pHK32. The results are summarized in Table 5.

Bombardment of 25 tobacco leaves with plasmid pHK30 yielded 45 kanamycin resistant lines on a medium containing 50 mg/L kanamycin. Transplastomic *neo* lines are expected to be resistant to much higher levels, 500 mg/L of kanamycin (Carrer et al., 1993). In addition, in plasmid pHK30 the *neo* gene is physically linked to a spectinomycin resistance (*aadA*) gene. Spectinomycin resistance is manifested as kanamycin resistance: sensitive leaf sections form white callus and no shoots whereas resistant leaf sections form green callus and shoots on a selective medium (500 mg/L) RMOP medium. We assumed therefore, that all transplastomic lines should be resistant to both 500 mg/L of kanamycin and 500 mg/L spectinomycin (Carrer and Maliga, 1995). When applying this test we found that 22 of the 45 lines meet these criteria. Digestion of the plastid DNA with the *EcoRI* restriction enzyme and probing with the plastid targeting region should detect 3.1-kb fragment in the wild-type and a 4.2-kb and 1.2-kb fragment in transplastomic lines (Figure 15A). DNA gel blot analysis of seven of the kanamycin-spectinomycin resistant lines confirmed integration of both transgenes into the plastid genome (Figure 15B). Therefore, we assume that all 22 kanamycin-spectinomycin lines are transplastomic (Table 5).

Bombardment of 30 tobacco leaves with plasmid pHK32 yielded 28 kanamycin resistant lines on a medium containing 50 mg/L kanamycin. We have identified 11 double-resistant lines by testing these on a medium containing 500 mg/L of kanamycin and 500 mg/L spectinomycin. All six tested were transplastomic by DNA

gel blot analysis (Figure 15B), therefore we believe that all eleven are transplastomic (Table 5).

TABLE 5  
SELECTION OF TRANSPLASTOMIC TOBACCO  
CLONES BY KANAMYCIN RESISTANCE

Vector	No. leaves	Kan. Res. 50 mg/L	Kan. Res. 500 mg/L	Kan. Res. 500 mg/L Spec. Res. 500 mg/L	Transplastomic
pTNH32	29	59	7		0
	50 <sup>a</sup>	52			2
	25 <sup>a</sup>	47	4		1
pHK30	25	45		22	22
pHK32	30	28		11	11

(<sup>a</sup>Carrer et al., 1993)

#### DISCUSSION

Plastid transformation efficiency should be comparable, if we target the same region of the plastid genome for insertion, use similar size targeting sequences and the same method of DNA delivery. Therefore, lower transformation efficiencies obtained by selection for kanamycin resistance with the old chimeric neo genes was likely due to the lack of recovery of transplastomic clones by selection. We have found that transformation with neo genes expressed from the

PrnLatpB+DBwt and PrnLclpP+DBwt promoters is as efficient as with the aadA gene. This is a significant technical advance, and will facilitate plastid transformation in crops, in which the regenerable tissues contain non-green plastids. Most important targets are the non-green plastids of cereal crops. Kanamycin selection is widely used to obtain transgenic lines after transformation with chimeric neo genes in dicots. However, kanamycin is an undesirable selective agent in monocots such as cereal tissue cultures. However, NPTII also inactivates paromomycin, which may be used to recover nuclear gene transformants at an extremely high efficiency in cereals. See for example, PCT application WO99/05296.

#### EXAMPLE 6

##### **Bacterial bar gene expression in tobacco plastids confers resistance to the herbicide phosphinothricin**

Bialaphos, a non-selective herbicide, is a tripeptide composed of two L-alanine residues and an analog of glutamic acid known as phosphinothricin (PPT). While PPT is an inhibitor of glutamine synthetase in both plants and bacteria, the intact tripeptide has little or no inhibitory effect in vitro. Bialaphos is toxic for bacteria and plants, as intracellular peptidases remove the alanine residues and release active PPT. Bialaphos is produced by *Streptomyces hygroscopicus*. The bacterium is protected from phosphinothricin toxicity by phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (PAT), the bar gene product. This enzyme acetylates phosphinothricin or demethylphosphinothricin (Thompson et al., 1987). PPT resistant crops have been obtained by expressing the *S.*

- hygroscopicus bar gene in the plant nucleus. Herbicide resistant lines were obtained by direct selection for PPT resistance in culture after *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*-mediated DNA delivery in tobacco, potato, 5 *Brassica napus* and *Brassica oleracea* (De Block et al., 1987, 1989). Biolistic DNA delivery of chimeric bar genes has been employed to obtain PPT resistant maize (Spencer et al., 1990), rice (Cao, et al, 1992) and *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Sawaskaki et al., 1994).
- 10 Construction of transplastomic tobacco plants, in which PPT resistance is based on the expression of bar from *S. hygroscopicus* in plastids is described in the present example. The vectors utilized to express the bar gene contain an exemplary chimeric 5' regulatory region as 15 set forth in the previous examples. The following material and methods facilitate the practice of this aspect of the present invention.

#### Construction of plastid bar gene

- 20 A NcoI/XbaI bar gene fragment was generated by PCR amplification using plasmid of pDM302 (Cao et al., 1992) with the following primers:
- P1, 5'-AAACCATGGCACCACAAACAGAGAGCCCAGAACGACGCCC-3';  
P2, 5'-AAAATCTAGATCATCAGATCTCGGTGACG-3'.

- 25 The ends of the PCR fragment were blunt ended by treatment with the Klenow Fragment of DNA polymerase I. The fragment was then ligated into the EcoRV site of pBluescript II KS+ (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) to create 30 plasmid pJEK3. Sequence analysis of pJEK3 plasmid DNA revealed that the XbaI site we intended to create through PCR amplification of pDM302 is absent. See Figure 19. The bar gene has the two translation

termination codons followed by vector sequences. The last 20 bp of pJEK3 are:  
CCCGTCACCGAGATCTGATGATcgaattcctgcagcccgggggatccactagtctt  
aga. The bar sequences are in capital (stop codons underlined), the vector sequences are in lower case (XbaI site underlined). Since there is an XbaI site present in the vector 40 bp from the intended XbaI site, it was not necessary to repair this error. The NcoI-XbaI fragment from plasmid pJEK3 was ligated into NcoI-XbaI digested pGS104 plasmid (Serino and Maliga, 1997) to generate plasmid pJEK6. Plasmid pGS104 carries a Prn-  
TrbCL expression cassette in a pPRV111B plastid transformation vector. A map of the plastid targeting region of plasmid pJEK6 is shown in Figure 16A.

#### Plastid transformation and plant regeneration

Tobacco (*Nicotiana tabacum* cv. Petit Havana) plants were grown aseptically on agar-solidified medium containing MS salts (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) and sucrose (30g/l). Leaves were placed abaxial side up on RMOP media for bombardment. The RMOP medium consists of MS salts, N6-benzyladenine (1mg/l), 1-naphthaleneacetic acid (0.1 mg/l), thymine (1mg/l), inositol (100 mg/l), agar (6g/l), pH 5.8, and sucrose (30g/l). The DNA was introduced into chloroplasts on the surface of 1µm tungsten particles using the DuPont PDS1000He Biolistic gun (Maliga 1995). Spectinomycin resistant clones were selected on RMOP medium containing 500 µg/ml spectinomycin dihydrochloride. Resistant shoots were regenerated on the same selective medium and rooted on MS agar medium (Svab and Maliga, 1993). The independently transformed lines are designated by the



transforming plasmid (pJEK6) and a serial number, for example pJEK6-2, pJEK6-5. Plants regenerated from the same transformed line are distinguished by letters, for example pJEK6-2A, pJEK6-2B.

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#### Southern Blot Analysis

10 Total cellular DNA was isolated from wild-type and transgenic spectinomycin resistant plants with CTAB (Saghai-Maroo et al., 1984). The DNA was digested with the Sma I and BglIII restriction endonucleases, separated on a 0.7% agarose gel and blotted onto a Hybond-N nylon membrane (Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL) by a pressure blotter. The membrane was hybridized overnight with an  
15 ApaI/ BamHI fragment labeled with ( $\alpha$ -  $^{32}$ P )dCTP using a dCTP DNA Labeling Beads Kit (Pharmacia Inc, Piscataway, NJ). The membrane was washed 2 times with 0.1X SSPE, 0.2X SDS at 55°C for 30 minutes. Film was exposed to the  
20 membrane for 30 minutes at room temperature.

#### PAT Assay

The PAT assay was performed as described by Spencer et. al. (1990). Leaf tissue (100 mg) from wild type  
25 tobacco (wt), transgenic Nt-pDM307-10 tobacco (a line transformed with the nuclear bar gene in plasmid pDM307; Cao et al., 1992), and plastid bar gene transformants was homogenized in 1 volume of extraction buffer (10 mM  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$ , 10 mM NaCl). The supernatant was collected after  
30 spinning in a microfuge for 10 minutes. Protein (25 mg) was added to 1 mg/ml PPT and  $^{14}\text{C}$ -labeled Acetyl CoA. The reaction was incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes and the entire reaction was spotted onto a TLC plate. Ascending

chromatography was performed in a 3:2 mixture of 1-propanol and  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ . Film was exposed to the TLC plate overnight at room temperature.

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### Herbicide Application

Wild type and transgenic plants were sprayed with 5 ml of a 2% solution of Liberty (AgrEvo, Wilmington, DE) with an aerosol sprayer.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

15 First the bacterial bar gene was converted into a plastid gene by cloning the bar coding region into a plastid expression cassette. This cassette consists of an engineered plastid rRNA operon promoter (Prrn) and TrbcL and the 3' UTR of the plastid rbcL gene for  
20 stabilization of the mRNA. The plastid bar gene was then cloned into the plastid transformation vector to yield plasmid pJEK6, and introduced into plastids on the surface of microscopic tungsten particles. The bar gene integrated into the plastid genome by two homologous  
25 recombination events via the plastid targeting sequences, as shown in Figure 16A. Selection for the linked aadA (spectinomycin resistance) gene on spectinomycin-containing medium eventually yielded cells which carried a uniformly transformed plastid genome  
30 population, which were then regenerated into plants.

Integration of bar and aadA was verified by DNA gel blot analysis. Total cellular DNA of wild-type and transplastomic plants was digested with the SmaI and

BglII restriction enzymes and probed with the 2.9-kb  
ApaI-BamHI plastid targeting fragment of *N. tabacum*  
(Figure 16B). The two fragments that were expected for  
the transgenic plants, 3.3 kb and 1.9 kb, were present  
in each of the transplastomic samples shown in Figure  
16B. Absence of the 2.9 kb wild type fragment indicated,  
that by the time these plants have been regenerated, the  
wild-type plastid genome copies have been diluted out on  
the selective medium.

To determine if the plastid bar gene has been  
expressed, leaf extracts were assayed for  
phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (PAT) activity.  
Conversion of PPT into acetyl-PPT indicated PAT activity  
in each of the tested transplastomic lines. Data in  
Figure 17 are shown for the transplastomic lines Nt-  
pJEK6-2D, Nt-pJEK6-5A and Nt-pJEK6-13B. Interestingly,  
PAT activity was significantly ( $>>10$ -fold) higher when  
bar was expressed in the plastids, as compared to the  
bar gene expressed from the cauliflower mosaic virus 35S  
promoter in the nucleus of the Nt-pDM307-10 plant.

PAT expression confers resistance to PPT in tissue  
culture and in the greenhouse. When wild type leaf  
sections are grown in tissue culture, 10 mg/L PPT  
completely blocks callus proliferation. This same PPT  
concentration is suitable for the selection of nuclear  
transformants after bombardment with the nuclear bar  
construct in plasmid pDM307. Leaf sections of plants  
expressing bar in plastids show resistance in the  
presence of up to 100 mg/L PPT in the culture medium. We  
have tested PPT resistance in the greenhouse, spraying  
wild-type and transplastomic plants with Liberty, a  
commercial formulation of PPT, at the recommended field  
dose of 2%. As shown in Figure 18A, 13 days after the

5 treatment, the wild type plants were dead while the  
transgenic plants thrived. Since then the sprayed plants  
have flowered and set seed. Figure 18B shows maternal  
inheritance of PPT resistance. Lack of plastid pollen  
10 transmission results in a lack of herbicide resistance  
in progeny pollinated with transgenic pollen. The  
bacterial bar gene has a high G + C content (68.3%;  
Genbank Accession No. X17220), while plastid genes have  
a relatively high A + T content; for example the G + C  
15 content of the highly expressed psbA and rbcL genes is  
42.7% and 43.7%, respectively (Genbank Accession No.  
Z00044). Differences in the G + C content are also  
reflected in the codon usage biases. Interestingly, data  
presented here indicate that expression of bar from *S.*  
20 *hygroscopicus* is sufficiently high to confer resistance  
to field levels of the non-selective herbicide PPT.  
Furthermore, the PAT enzyme levels obtained in the  
transplastomic lines are significantly higher than those  
observed in the nuclear transformant. Therefore, further  
25 improvement of the expression levels may be obtained by  
optimizing the codon usage for plastids as set forth in  
Example 7.

Advantages of incorporating bar in the plastid  
30 genome are containment of herbicide resistance due to  
the lack of pollen transmission in most crops.  
Furthermore, the lack of genetic segregation would  
simplify back-crossing for the introduction of herbicide  
resistance into additional breeding lines.

#### EXAMPLE 7

##### A Synthetic bar gene Improves Containment and Enhances Expression in Plastids

The bacterial *bar* gene was introduced into the tobacco plastid genome by transformation with plasmid pJEK6, as described above in Example 6. In plasmid pJEK6 *bar* is expressed in a cassette consisting of the Prn(L)rbcL(S) promoter and TrbcL transcription terminator. This plasmid conferred PPT resistance to plants grown in the presence of PPT in the tissue culture medium, but direct selection for transformed lines was not possible. Although the PAT levels in homoplastomic leaves was high, the amount of PAT produced by the few pJEK6 *bar* copies during the early stage of plastid transformation was probably insufficient to protect the entire cell.

To improve *bar* expression in plastids a synthetic gene was created. The codon usage was modified to mimic that of the average tobacco photosynthetic plastid gene. Changing the codon usage lead to a lowered GC content characteristic of higher plant plastid genes. To assist with cloning, restriction enzyme recognition sequences were removed and added as necessary. Codon usage frequency in bacteria reflects relative tRNA abundance: frequent use of codons for rare tRNAs may significantly reduce translation efficiency. We hoped that differential codon usage in plastids and bacteria would reduce or prevent expression of the synthetic gene in bacteria, thereby reducing the danger of horizontal gene transfer to microorganisms. We also hoped that improved *bar* expression in our novel promoter cassettes will allow direct selection of plastid transformants on PPT-containing medium.

#### Materials and Methods for Example 7

Codon comparisons of photosynthetic (*rbcL*, *psaA*, *psaB*, *psaC*, *psbA*, *psbB*, *psbC*, *psbD*, *psbE*, *psbF*) plastid genes were compiled using GCG (Genetics Computer Group, Madison, WI). DNA mutations were then introduced into the bacterial *bar* gene making its codon usage more similar to plastid genes, while removing several restriction enzyme sites that could interfere with cloning. See Figure 28. The synthetic *bar* gene (*s-bar*) was obtained by single-step assembly of the entire *s-bar* gene from 28 oligonucleotides (one 44 nt primer, one 30 nt primer and twenty-six 40 nt primers) using PCR (Stemmer et al., 1995). The top and bottom strands of the primers overlap with each other by 20 nucleotides. *NcoI* and *NheI* sites were added at the 5' end and a *XbaI* site was added at the 3' end through PCR amplification. To obtain the complete *s-bar* gene, a small aliquot of the assembly PCR product was amplified using primers 1A and 14B. Unchanged nucleotides are in upper case, altered nucleotides are in lower case in the primers listed below.

Primer 1A ccATGgctAGCCCAGAAaGAaGacCGGCCGATATtaGaCG  
 Primer 1B GCATaTcAGCtTcTcGTaGCACGtCtaATaTCGGCCGgtCt  
 Primer 2A TGcTAcGaAGcTgATGCCaGCaGtTgTAcAATCGTt  
 Primer 2B CTTGTtTcTATaTaaTGGTTaACGATtGTaCAaACTGcTG  
 Primer 3A AACCAtTATaTAgAAaACAAGtACaGTaAACTTtaGaAcTg  
 Primer 3B tTcTtGAGGTtCtTGaGgtTCaGtTcTaaAGTTtACTGTa  
 Primer 4A AaCctCAaGAACctCAaGAaTGGACTgATGATCTaGTCCG  
 Primer 4B AaGGATAGCGCTCtCGtAGACGGACTAGaTCaTcAGTCCA  
 Primer 5A TCTaCGaGAGCGCTATCctTGGCTtGTaGCaGAAGtGAC  
 Primer 5B GCGATaCCAGcTAcTTCaCCGTCaAcTtCTgCTAcAAGCC  
 Primer 6A GGTGAAGTaGcTGGtATCGCaTAtGCGGGCCCTtTGAAGG  
 Primer 6B CCAaTCaTATGCaTtTcTtGcCTTCCAaGGGCCCGCaTAt  
 Primer 7A CAaGaAATGCaTATgATtGGACaGcTGAaTCaAcTGTtTA

Primer 7B GtTGaTGaCGtGGtGAaACGTAAaCaGtTGATTCaGCTGT  
 Primer 8A CGTtTCaCCaCGtCATCaACGTACaGGACTtGGtTCTACT  
 Primer 8B TTCAGtAGaTGtGTaTATAGaGTaGAaCCaAGtCCTGTaC  
 Primer 9A CTaTATaCaCATCTaCTGAAaTCTtTGGAGGCACaAGGT  
 Primer 9B aACAGCtACaACaCTCTTaAAaCCtTGTGCCTCCaAGAT  
 Primer10A TtAAGAGtGTtGTaGCTGTtATaGGatTGCCTAAATGATCC  
 Primer10B CtTCaTGCATGCGtACaCtTGGaTCaTTaGGCAatCCtAT  
 Primer11A aAGtGTaCGCATGCaTGAAGCtCTaGGATATGCTCCaAGa  
 Primer11B CCTGCaGCCCTCaACATaCCtCttGGaGCATATCCTAGaG  
 Primer12A GGtATGtTGaGGGctGCaGGtTTCAAaCatGGAaACTGGC  
 Primer12B tTGCCaAAAACcTACaTCATGCCAGTtTCCaTGtTTGAAa  
 Primer13A ATGAtGTaGGTTTtTGGCaACtTGATTCAGtCTaCCaGT  
 Primer13B GtAGaACTGGACGaGGaGGTACTGGtAGaCTGAAaTCaAG  
 Primer14A ACCTCCTCGTCCaGTtCTaCCaGTtACTGAGATCTGTATGA  
 Primer14B tctagaTCATCAGATCTCaGtaACTG

The amplified *s-bar* coding region was then cloned into a pBSIIKS+ plasmid (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) and sequenced (Figure 20A). The *s-bar* gene was cloned into cassettes with the chimeric PrnrnLatpB+DBwt, PrnrnLrbcl+DBwt and PrnrnLT7g10+DB/Ec promoters. Table 6 sets forth the plasmids used in the practice of this example.

Table6. Plasmids with *bar* genes.

Plasmid	Promoter	<i>bar</i>	3'UTR	Vector
pK05		synthetic ( <i>s-bar</i> )		pBSIIKS+
pK03	PrnrnLatpB+DBwt	synthetic ( <i>s-bar</i> )	TrbcL	pPRV111B
pK08	PrnrnLrbcl+DBwt	synthetic ( <i>s-bar</i> )	TrbcL	pPRV111A
pK017	PrnrnLT7g10+DB/ Ec	synthetic ( <i>s-bar</i> )	TrbcL	pPRV111B
pK012	PrnrnLrbcl+DBwt	bacterial ( <i>bar</i> )	TrbcL	pPRV111A

To provide a suitable cloning site at 3'-end of the bacterial *bar* gene, the *EagI*/*BglIII* fragment of *s-bar* was replaced with the cognate fragment of the bacterial *bar* coding region. Such a bacterial *bar* gene is incorporated in plasmid pK012 (Figure 21). In plasmid pK012 the first 22 nucleotides of the bacterial *bar* coding region are replaced with nucleotides from the *s-bar*.

### RESULTS

The engineered bacterial *bar* gene in pJEK6 is expressed both in *E. coli* and plants, as shown in the previous example. We were interested to test if modification of the codon affects expression of the *s-bar* gene in plastids and in *E. coli*. In *E. coli*, *s-bar* expression was determined by measuring PAT activity. Extracts were prepared from bacteria carrying plasmids pK03 and pK08 expressing *s-bar* from the *PrrnLatpB*+*DBwt* and *PrrnLrbcL*+*DBwt* promoters, respectively. The radioactive assay did not detect any activity, although extracts from bacteria transformed with plasmids pJEK6 and pK012 carrying the bacterial *bar* genes gave strong signals (Figure 22A). In plasmid pK012 the first 22 nucleotides of the bacterial *bar* coding region are replaced with nucleotides from the *s-bar*. Therefore, lack of expression from the *s-bar* in *E. coli* is not due to changes within the first 22 nucleotides.

The *s-bar* was also introduced into plastids by transformation with vector pK03. Extracts were prepared from pK03- and pJEK6-transformed tobacco plants, which carry the *s-bar* and *bar* genes, respectively. Extracts from both types of plants contained significant PAT



activity (Figure 22B). Therefore, the synthetic *bar* is expressed in plastids but not in *E. coli*.

Changing the *bar* gene codon usage abrogated expression of the gene in *E. coli*. This is likely due to the introduction of the rare AGA and AGG arginine codons in the *s-bar* coding region. The triplet frequency per thousand nucleotides for AGA and AGG is the lowest in *E. coli*, reflecting low abundance of the tRNA required for translation of these codons. The minor arginine tRNA<sup>Arg (AGG/AGA)</sup> has been shown to be a limiting factor in the bacterial expression of several mammalian genes. The coexpression of *ArgU* (*dnaY*) gene that encodes for tRNA<sup>Arg (AGG/AGA)</sup> resulted in high level production of the target protein (Makrides 1996). The bacterial *bar* gene has 14 arginine codons, none of which are the rare AGA/AGG codons. The *s-bar* gene has five of them, three of which are located within the first 25 codons. Therefore, the likely explanation for the lack of *s-bar* expression in *E. coli* is introduction of the rare AGA and AGG arginine codons in the *s-bar* coding region.

There are proteins, which are toxic to *E. coli* but their expression is desirable in plastid to which it is not toxic. Engineering of these proteins in *E. coli* poses a problem, since the commonly used PEP plastid promoters are active in *E. coli*, thus the gene will be transcribed and the mRNA translated. Incorporation of minor codons in the coding region will prevent translation of these proteins in *E. coli*. Particularly useful in this regard is conversion of arginine codons to AGA/AGG. If no arginine is present in the N-terminal region, an N-terminal fusion may be designed containing multiple AGA/AGG codons to prevent translation of the mRNA.

Plants under field conditions are associated with microbes living in the soil, on the leaves and inside the plants. Gene flow from plastids to these microorganisms has not been shown. However, it would be an added safety measure to incorporate codons in plastid genes, which are rare in the target microorganisms, but are efficiently translated in plastids. Incorporation of AGA/AGG codons into the selective marker genes and the genes of interest will prevent transfer of genes from plants to microbes, which lack the capacity to efficiently translate the AGA/AGG codons. In case of specific plant-microbe associations, based on differences in codon usage preferences genes could be designed which would be expressed in plastids but not in microbes.

Attempts to directly select transplastomic clones after bombardment with the *s*-bar constructs so far has failed. The *s*-bar coding region in Figure 20A contains frequent and rare codons in proportions characteristic of plastid genes. It is possible, that relatively rare codons in a specific context at a critical stage will prevent recovery of plastid transformation events. Examples for tissue-specific translation of mRNAs dependent on tRNA availability are known (Zhou et al., 1999). Therefore, we designed a second synthetic bar gene, *S2*-bar, containing only frequent codons (Figure 20B). Plastid transformation with the *s2*-bar will enable direct selection of plastid transformation events by PPT resistance.

#### EXAMPLE 8

FLUORESCENT ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE MARKER FOR FACILE IDENTIFICATION OF TRANSPLASTOMIC CLONES IN TOBACCO AND RICE

Plastid transformation in higher plants is accomplished through a gradual process, during which all the 300-10,000 plastid genome copies are uniformly altered. Antibiotic resistance genes incorporated in the plastid genome facilitate maintenance of transplastomes during this process. Given the high number of plastid genome copies in a cell, transformation unavoidably yields chimeric tissues, in which the transplastomic cells need to be identified and regenerated into plants. In chimeric tissue, antibiotic resistance is not cell autonomous: transplastomic and wild-type sectors both are green due to phenotypic masking by the transgenic cells. Novel genes encoding FLARE-S, a fluorescent antibiotic resistance enzyme conferring resistance to spectinomycin and streptomycin, which were obtained by translationally fusing aminoglycoside 3'-adenylyltransferase [AAD] with the *Aequorea victoria* green fluorescent protein (GFP) are provided in the present example. FLARE-S facilitates distinction of transplastomic and wild-type sectors in the chimeric tissue, thereby significantly reducing the time and effort required to obtain genetically stable transplastomic lines. The utility of FLARE-S to select for plastid transformation events was shown by tracking segregation of transplastomic and wild-type plastids in tobacco and rice plants after transformation with FLARE-S plastid vectors and selection for resistance to spectinomycin and streptomycin, respectively.

Plastid transformation vectors contain a selectable marker gene and passenger gene(s) flanked by homologous plastid targeting sequences (Zoubenko et al., 1994), and are introduced into plastids by biolistic DNA delivery (Svab et al., 1990; Svab and Maliga, 1993) or PEG

treatment (Golds et al., 1993; Koop et al., 1996; O'Neill et al., 1993). The selectable marker genes may encode resistance to spectinomycin, streptomycin or kanamycin. Resistance to the drugs is conferred by the expression of chimeric *aadA* (Svab and Maliga, 1993) and *neo* (*kan*) (Carrer et al., 1993) genes in plastids. These drugs inhibit chlorophyll accumulation and shoot formation on plant regeneration media. The transplastomic lines are identified by the ability to form green shoots on bleached wild-type leaf sections. Obtaining a genetically stable transplastomic line involves cultivation of the cells on a selective medium, during which the cells divide at least 16 to 17 times (Moll et al., 1990). During this time wild type and transformed plastids and plastid genome copies gradually sort out. The extended period of genome and organellar sorting yields chimeric plants consisting of sectors of wild-type and transgenic cells (Maliga, 1993). In the chimeric tissue antibiotic resistance conferred by *aadA* or *neo* is not cell autonomous: transplastomic and wild-type sectors are both green due to phenotypic masking by the transgenic tissue. Chimerism necessitates a second cycle of plant regeneration on a selective medium. In the absence of a visual marker this is an inefficient process, involving antibiotic selection and identification of transplastomic plants by PCR or Southern probing. The feasibility of visual identification of transformed sectors greatly reduces the effort required to obtain homoplastomic clones.

The *Aequorea victoria* green fluorescent protein (GFP) is a visual marker, allowing direct imaging of the fluorescent gene product in living cells without the need for prolonged and lethal histochemical staining

procedures. Its chromophore forms autocatalytically in the presence of oxygen and fluoresces green when absorbing blue or UV light (Prasher et al., 1992; Chalfie et al., 1994; Heim et al., 1994) (reviewed in ref. Prasher, 1995; Cubitt et al., 1995; Misteli and Spector, 1997). The *gfp* gene was modified for expression in the plant nucleus by removing a cryptic intron, introducing mutations to enhance brightness and to improve GFP solubility (Pang et al., 1996; Reichel et al., 1996; Rouwendal et al., 1997; Haseloff et al., 1997; Davis and Vierstra, 1998). GFP was used to monitor protein targeting to nucleus, cytoplasm and plastids from nuclear genes (Sheen et al., 1995; Chiu et al., 1996; Kshler et al., 1997), and to follow virus movement in plants (Baulcombe et al., 1995; Epel et al., 1996). GFP has also been used to detect transient gene expression in plastids (Hibberd et al., 1998).

The expression of GFP by directly incorporating the *gfp* gene in the plastid genome is described herein. Incorporation of a visual marker, the GFP protein, in the plastid transformation vectors of the present invention facilitates distinction of spontaneous antibiotic resistant mutants and plastid transformants (Svab et al., 1990). Furthermore, transplastomic sectors in the chimeric tissue can be visually identified, significantly reducing the time and effort required for obtaining genetically stable transplastomic lines. The utility of the GFP marker described here is further enhanced by its fusion with the enzyme aminoglycoside 3'-adenylyltransferase [AAD] conferring spectinomycin and streptomycin resistance to plants. Using a marker gene encoding a bifunctional protein, FLARE-S (fluorescent antibiotic resistance enzyme, spectinomycin

- and streptomycin), prevents physical separation of the two genes and simplifies engineering. Furthermore, fluorescent antibiotic resistance genes enables extension of plastid transformation to cereal crops, in which plastid transformation is not associated with a readily identifiable tissue culture phenotype.

The following protocols are provided to facilitate the practice of the present example.

- Construction of tobacco plastid vectors. The *aadA16gfp* gene encodes FLARE16-S fusion protein, and can be excised as an *NheI*-*XbaI* fragment from plasmid pMSK51, a pBSKSII+ derivative (Genbank Accesssion No. Not yet assigned). The fusion protein was obtained by cloning *gfp* (from plasmid pCD3-326F) downstream of *aadA* (in plasmid pMSK38), digesting the resulting plasmid with *BstXI* (at the 3' end of the *aadA* coding region) and *NcoI* (including the *gfp* translation initiation codon) and linking the two coding regions by a *BstXI*-*NcoI* compatible adapter. The adapter was obtained by annealing oligonucleotides 5'-GTGGGCAAAGAAGCTTGTGAA GGAAAATTGGAGCTAGTAGAAGGTCTTAAAGTCGC-3' and 5'-CATGGCGACTTTAAGACCTTCTACTAGCTCCAATTTTCCTTCAACAAGTCTTTGCCACTACC-3'. The adapter connects AAD and GFP with a peptide of 16 amino acid residues (ELVEGKLELVEGLKVA).

- The engineered *aadA* gene (Chinault et al., 1986) in plasmid pMSK38 (pBSIIKS+ derivative) has *NcoI* and *NheI* sites at the 5' end and *BstXI* and *XbaI* sites at the 3' end of the gene. The *NcoI* site includes the translation initiation codon; the *NheI* and *BstXI* sites are in the coding region close to the 5' and 3' ends, respectively; the *XbaI* site is downstream of stop codon. The mutations were introduced by PCR using

oligonucleotides 5'-

GGCCATGGGGCTAGCGAAGCGGTGATCGCCGAAGTATCG-3' and 5'-  
CGAATTCTAGACATTATTTGCCCACTACCTTGGTGATCTC-3'.

5 The *gfp* gene in plasmid CD3-326F is the  
derivative of plasmid psmGFP, encoding the soluble  
modified version of GFP (accession number U70495)  
obtained under order number CD3-326 from the Arabidopsis  
Biological Resource Center, Columbus, OH (Davis and  
10 Vierstra, 1998). The *gfp* gene in plasmid CD3-326F is  
expressed in the PpsbA /TpsbA expression cassette. The  
*gfp* gene in plasmid CD3-326F was obtained through the  
following steps. The BamHI-SacI fragment from CD3-326  
was cloned into pBSKs+ vector to yield plasmid CD3-326A.  
15 The SacI site downstream of the coding region was  
converted into an XbaI site by blunting and linker  
ligation (5'-GCTCTAGAGC; plasmid CD3-326B). An NcoI site  
was created to include the translation initiation codon  
and at the same time the internal NcoI site was removed  
by PCR amplification of the coding region N-terminus  
20 with primers 5'-  
CCGGATCCAAGGAGATATAACACCATGGCTAGTAAAGGAGAAGAAGTTTTC-3'  
and 5'-GTGTTGGCCAAGGAACAGGTAGTTTTC-3'. The PCR-  
amplified fragment was digested with BamHI and MscI  
restriction enzymes, and the resulting fragment was used  
25 to replace the BamHI-MscI fragment in plasmid CD3-326B  
to yield plasmid CD3-326C. The *gfp* coding region was  
excised from plasmid CD3-326C as an NcoI-XbaI fragment  
and cloned into a *psbA* cassette to yield plasmid CD3-  
326D. PpsbA and TpsbA are the *psbA* gene promoter and  
30 3'- untranslated region derived from plasmids pJS25  
(Staub and Maliga, 1993). TpsbA has been truncated by  
inserting a HindIII linker downstream of the modified  
BspHI site (Peter Hajdukiewicz, unpublished). The

PpsbA::gfp::TpsbA gene was excised as an EcoRI-HindIII fragment and cloned into EcoRI and HindIII digested pPRV111A, to yield plasmid CD3-326F.

5 The *aadA16gfp* coding region from plasmid pMSK51 was introduced into two expression cassettes. In plasmid pMSK53 the *aadA16gfp* coding region is expressed in the PrnLrbcL+DBwt/TpsbA cassette, and encodes the FLARE16-S2 protein (fluorescent antibiotic resistance enzyme, spectinomycin). PrnLrbcL+DBwt is described in the  
10 previous examples and derives from plasmid pHK14. The construct contains a chimeric promoter composed of the *rrn* operon promoter, the *rbcL* gene leader and downstream box sequence. TpsbA is the *psbA* gene 3' untranslated region, and functions to stabilize the chimeric mRNA. In  
15 plasmid pMSK54 the *aadA16gfp* coding region is expressed in the PrnLatpB+DBwt/TpsbA cassette, and encodes the FLARE16-S1 protein. PrnLatpB+DBwt derives from plasmid pHK10, and is a chimeric promoter composed of the *rrn* operon promoter, the *atpB* leader and downstream box  
20 sequence. See Examples 1-4.

The chimeric *aadA16gfp* genes were introduced into the tobacco plastid transformation vector pPRV111B (Zoubenko et al., 1994). The *aadA* gene was excised from  
25 plasmid pPRV111B with EcoRI and SpeI restriction enzymes, and replaced with the EcoRI-SpeI fragment from plasmids pMSK53 and pMSK54 to generate plasmids pMSK57 (*aadA16gfp-S2*) and pMSK56 (*aadA16gfp-S1*).

**Construction of rice plastid vectors.** Plasmid  
30 pMSK49 is a rice-specific plastid transformation vector which carries the *aadA11gfp-S3* gene as the selective marker in the *trnV/rps12/7* intergenic region (GenBank Accession Number: Not yet assigned). Plasmid pMSK49



carries the rice *Sma*I-*Sna*BI plastid fragment (restriction sites at nucleotides 122488 and 125 878 in the genome Hiratsuka et al., 1989) cloned into a pBSKSII+ (Stratagene) vector after blunting the *Sac*I and *Kpn*I restriction sites. The *Xba*I site present in the rice plastid DNA fragment (position at nucleotide 125032 in the genome (Hiratsuka et al., 1989) was removed by filling in and religation. Prior to cloning the selective marker the progenitor plasmid was digested with the *Bgl*II restriction enzyme giving rise to a deletion of 119 nucleotides between two proximal *Bgl*II sites (positions at 124367 and 124491). The *aadA1gfp-S3* gene was then cloned in the blunted *Bgl*II sites.

The *aadA* gene in plasmid pMSK49 was obtained by modifying the *aadA* gene in plasmid pMSK38 (above) to obtain plasmid pMSK39. The modification involved translationally fusing the *aadA* gene product at its N-terminus with an epitope of the human c-Myc protein (amino acids 410-419; EQKLISEEDL Kolodziej and Young, 1991). The genetic engineering was performed by ligating an adapter obtained by annealing complementary oligonucleotides with appropriate overhangs into *Nco*I-*Nhe*I digested pMSK38 plasmid. The oligonucleotides were:  
5'-CATGGGGGCTAGCGAACAACAACTCATTCTGAAGAAGACTTGC-3' and  
5'-CTAGGCAAGTCTTCTTCAGAAATGAGTTTTGTTCGCTAGCCCC-3'.

The *aadA1gfp* gene encoding FLARE11-S was obtained by linking AAD and GFP with the 11-mer peptide ELAVEGKLEVA. To clone *aadA* and *gfp* in the same polycloning site, *gfp* (*Eco*RI-*Hind*III fragment; from plasmid CD3-326F) was cloned downstream of *aadA* in plasmid pMSK39 to obtain plasmid pMSK41. The two genes were excised together as an *Nhe*I-*Hind*III fragment, and cloned into plasmid pMSK45 to replace a kanamycin-

resistance gene yielding plasmid pMSK48. Plasmid pMSK45 is a derivative of plasmid pMSK35 which carries the PrnLT7g10+DB/Ec promoter. The promoter consists of the plastid rRNA operon promoter and the leader sequence of the T7 phage gene 10 leader. In plasmid pMSK48, *aadA* is expressed from the PrnLT7g10+DB/Ec promoter. The *aadA* and *gfp* genes were then translationally fused with an BstXI-NcoI adapter that links the AAD and GFP with an 11-mer peptide. The adapter was obtained by annealing oligonucleotides 5'-

GTGGGCAAAGAACTTGCAGTTGAAGGAAAATTGGAGGTCGC-3' and 5'-CATGGCGACCTCCAATTTTCCTTCAACTGCAAGTTCTTTGCCCACTACC-3', which was ligated into BstXI/NcoI digested pMSK48 plasmid DNA to yield plasmid pMSK49. Plasmid pMSK49 has the rice plastid targeting sequences present in plasmid pMSK35.

**Tobacco plastid transformation.** Tobacco leaves from 4 to 6 weeks old plants were bombarded with DNA-coated tungsten particles using the Dupont PDS1000He Biolistic gun (1100 psi). Transplastomic clones were identified as green shoots regenerating on bleached leaf sections on RMOP medium containing 500mg/L spectinomycin dihydrochloride (Svab and Maliga, 1993). The spectinomycin resistant shoots were illuminated with UV light (Model B 100AP, UV Products, Upland, California, USA). Shoots emitting green light were transferred to spectinomycin free MS medium (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) (3% sucrose) on which fluorescent (transplastomic) and non-fluorescent (wild-type) sectors formed. Fluorescent sectors were excised, and transferred to selective (500 mg/L spectinomycin) shoot regeneration (RMOP) medium. Regenerated shoots were tested for uniform transformation by Southern analysis.

**Rice plastid transformation.** Callus formation from mature *Oryza sativa* cv. Taipei 309 seeds was induced on a modified CIM medium (Tompson et al., 1986), containing MS salts and vitamins (2 mg/L glycine, 0.5 mg/L nicotinic acid, 0.5 mg/L pyridoxine and 0.1 mg/L thiamine), 2 mg/L 2,4D, 1 mg/L kinetin and 300 mg/L casein enzymatic hydrolysate Type III (Sigma C-1026) and sucrose (30g/L). Embryogenic suspensions from the proliferating embryogenic calli were obtained on the AA medium (Muller and Grafe, 1978). For plastid transformation by the biolistic process rice embryogenic cells were plated on a filter paper on non-selective modified CIM medium (Tompson et al., 1986). The bombarded cells were incubated for 48 hours, transferred to selective liquid AA medium (Muller and Grafe, 1978) (one to two weeks), and then to solid modified RRM regeneration medium (Zhang and Wu, 1988) containing MS salts and vitamins, 100 mg/L myo-inositol, 4 mg/L BAP, 0.5 mg/L IAA, 0.5 mg/L NAA, 30 g/L sucrose and 40 g/L maltose and 100 mg/L streptomycin sulfate on which green shoots appeared in two to three weeks. The shoots were rooted on a selective MS salt medium (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) containing 30 g/L sucrose and 100 mg/L streptomycin sulfate. Leaf samples for PCR analysis and confocal microscopy were taken from plants on selective medium.

**PCR amplification of border fragments.** Total cellular DNA was extracted according to Mettler (Mettler, 1987). The PCR analysis was carried out with a 9:1 mixture of AmpliTaq (Stratagene) and Vent (New England Biolabs) DNA polymerases in the Vent buffer following the manufacturer's recommendations. The left

border fragment was amplified with primers O3 (5'-  
ATGGATGAAGTATACAAATAAG-3' and O4 (5'-GCTCCTATAGTGTGACG-  
3'). The right border fragment was amplified with  
primers O5 (5'-ACTACCTCTGATAGTTGAGTCG-3') and O6 (5'-  
5 AGAGGTTAATCTACTCTGG-3'). The aadA part of FLARE-S genes  
was amplified with primers O1 (5'-  
GGCTCCGAGTGGATGGCGGCCTG-3') and O2 (5'-  
GGGCTGATACTGGCCGGCAGG-3'). Primer positions are shown  
in Fig. 5A. Note that the same primers can be used in  
10 transplastomic tobacco and rice plants expressing FLARE-  
S.

**Detection of FLARE-S by fluorescence.** FLARE-S  
expressing sectors in the leaves were visualized by an  
15 Olympus SZX stereo microscope equipped for GFP detection  
with a CCD camera system. Subcellular localization of  
GFP was verified by laser-scanning confocal microscopy  
(Sarastro 2000 Confocal Image System, Molecular  
Dynamics, Sunnyvale, CA). This system includes an argon  
20 mixed gas laser with lines at 488 and 568 nm and  
detector channels. The channels are adjusted for  
fluorescein and rhodamine images. GFP fluorescence was  
detected in the FITC channel (488-514 nm). Chlorophyll  
fluorescence was detected in the TRITC channel (560-580  
25 nm). The images produced by GFP and chlorophyll  
fluorescence were viewed on a computer screen attached  
to the microscope and processed using the Adobe  
PhotoShop software.

**Immunoblot analysis.** Leaves (0.5 g) collected from  
30 plants in sterile culture were frozen in liquid nitrogen  
and ground to a fine powder in a mortar with a pestle.  
For protein extraction the powder was transferred to a

centrifuge tube containing 1 ml buffer [50 mM Hepes/KOH (pH 7.5), 1 mM EDTA, 10 mM potassium acetate, 5 mM magnesium acetate, 1 mM dithiothreitol and 2 mM PMSF] and mixed by flicking. The insoluble material was removed by centrifugation at 4°C for 5 min at 11,600 g. Protein concentration in the supernatant was determined using the Biorad protein assay reagent kit. Proteins (20 µl per lane) were separated in 12% SDS-PAGE (Laemmli, 1970). Proteins separated by SDS-PAGE were transferred to a Protran nitrocellulose membrane (Schleicher and Schuell) using a semi-dry electroblotting apparatus (Bio-Rad). The membrane was incubated with Living Colors Peptide Antibody (Clontech) diluted 1 to 200. FLARE-S was visualized using ECL chemilluminescence immunoblot detection on X-ray film. FLARE-S on the blots was quantified by comparison with a dilution series of commercially available purified wild-type GFP (Clontech).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Tobacco plastid vectors with FLARE-S as the selectable marker.

Two FLARE-S fusion proteins were tested in *E. coli*. In one, the AAD and GFP were linked by an 11-mer (ELAVEGKLEVA), in the second by a 16-mer (ELVEGKLELVEGLKVA) linker. For transformation in tobacco, the *aadA16gfp* coding region (16-mer linker) was expressed in two cassettes known to mediate high levels of protein accumulation in plastids. Both utilize the strongest known plastid promoter driving the expression of the ribosomal RNA operon (*Prn*), and the 3'-UTR of the highly expressed *psbA* gene (*TpsbA*) for the stabilization of the chimeric mRNAs. The *PrnLatpB+wtDB* (plasmid pMSK56) and *PrnLrbcL+DBwt* (plasmid pMSK57)

promoters utilize the *atpB* or *rbcL* gene leader sequences and the coding region N-termini with the downstream box (DB) sequence, respectively. Due to inclusion of the DB sequence in the chimeric genes, the proteins encoded by the two genes are slightly different, having 14 amino acids of the ATP-ase  $\beta$  subunit (*atpB* gene products) or ribulose 1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase (*rbcL* gene product) translationally fused with FLARE16-S (FLARE16-S1 and FLARE16-S2, respectively). To obtain a plastid transformation vector with the fluorescent spectinomycin resistance genes, the chimeric genes were cloned into the *trnV/rps12/7* plastid intergenic region in plastid vector pPRV111B. Plasmids pMSK56 and pMSK57 (Fig. 23) express FLARE16-S1 and FLARE16-S2, respectively, as markers.

**Identification of transplastomic tobacco clones by fluorescence.** Transformation was carried out by biolistic delivery of pMSK56 and pMSK57 plasmid DNA into chloroplast. The bombarded leaves were transferred onto selective (500 mg/L spectinomycin) shoot regeneration medium. Wild-type leaves on this medium bleach and form white callus. Cells with transformed plastids regenerate green shoots. The leaves on the selective medium were regularly inspected with a hand-held long-wave UV lamp for FLARE-S fluorescence.

No fluorescence could be detected in young shoots (3 to 5 mm in size) developing on pMSK56-bombarded leaves. However, formation of bright sectors in the leaves was observed, when these small shoots were transferred onto non-selective plant maintenance medium. In contrast, cultures bombarded with plasmid pMSK57 yielded small fluorescent shoots at an early stage.

These fluorescent shoots, and some of the non-fluorescent ones, developed into plants with bright sectors on non-selective plant maintenance medium. Therefore, FLARE16-S2 is useful for early detection of plastid transformation events. FLARE16-S2 fluorescence in young shoots on a selective medium should be due to relatively high levels of FLARE16-S2. Higher levels of FLARE16-S2 are also indicated by the brighter sectors in variegated leaves expressing FLARE16-S2 as compared to FLARE16-S1.

The size of sectors was different in individual shoots. FLARE-S expression in different leaf layers was also obvious. With the traditional selection for spectinomycin resistance, the transplastomic and wild-type sectors are not visible. Regeneration of plants with uniformly transformed plastid genomes was greatly facilitated by the fluorescing sectors expressing FLARE-S, which could be readily identified in UV light, dissected, and transferred for a second cycle of plant regeneration on spectinomycin-containing (500 mg/L) selective medium.

Given the high levels of FLARE-S accumulation we were interested to find out, if FLARE-S is toxic to plants. We expected that toxicity should be manifested as lower transformation efficiencies. Bombardment of 30 tobacco leaves with plasmids pMSK56 and pMSK57 yielded 71 and 89 spectinomycin resistant clones, respectively. Out of these, 61 and 77 lines were verified as transplastomic by fluorescence. Plastid transformation in a subset of these was confirmed by confocal laser scanning microscopy (7 clones each; see below) and Southern analysis (4 clones). The frequency of plastid transformation events with the FLARE-S -expressing genes

was slightly higher (~2 instead of ~1 per bombardment) than reported earlier with a chimeric *aadA* gene at the same insertion site (Svab and Maliga, 1993). Therefore, we assume that accumulation of FLARE-S at high levels is not detrimental. Lack of toxicity is also supported by the apparently normal phenotype of the plants in the greenhouse (not shown).

**Localization of FLARE-S to tobacco plastids by confocal microscopy.** Due to phenotypic masking, transplastomic and wild type sectors in a chimeric leaf are both green on a selective medium. However, we have found that in chimeric leaf sectors in the same cell some plastids express FLARE-S while others do not, when observed by confocal microscopy (Fig. 24). FLARE-S and chlorophyll fluorescence were detected separately in the fluorescein and rhodamine channels, respectively. The two images were then overlaid confirming that FLARE-S fluorescence derives from chloroplasts.

Expression of FLARE-S was also studied in non-green plastid types including the chromoplasts in petals and the non-green plastids in root cells (Fig. 24b,f). These studies were carried out in plants, which were homoplastomic for the transgenomes. Homoplastomic state was important, since in non-green tissues chlorophyll could not be used for confirmation of the organelles as plastids. Since FLARE-S expression could be readily detected in chloroplasts as well as non-green plastids, the plastid rRNA operon promoter is apparently active in all plastid types.

#### **FLARE-S accumulation in tobacco leaves.**

Accumulation of FLARE-S in homoplastomic leaves was



tested using the commercially available GFP antibody, recognizing the GFP portion (239 amino acid residues) of FLARE16-S (520 amino acids). FLARE16-S1 (532 amino acids) was ~8 %, whereas FLARE16-S2 (532 amino acids) was ~18 % of total soluble leaf protein (Fig. 25). To calculate FLARE16-S concentrations, a GFP dilution series was used as a reference, and the values were than increased by 2.6 to correct for the larger size of the FLARE16-S1 and -S2 proteins.

**Tracking plastid transformation in rice by FLARE-S expression.** In rice, plant regeneration is from non-green embryogenic cells. Encouraged by FLARE-S expression in non-green tobacco plastids, we attempted to transform the non-green plastids of embryogenic rice tissue-culture cells. Plastid transformation was carried out using a rice-specific vector expressing FLARE11-S3 and targeting insertion of the *aadA11gfp-S3* gene in the *trnV/xps12/7* intergenic region. The location of the insertion site and the size of plastid targeting sequences in the rice vector are similar to the tobacco vectors shown in Fig. 23.

Plastid transformation in rice was carried out by bombardment of embryogenic rice suspension culture cells using gold particles coated with plasmid pMSK49 DNA. Rice cells, as most cereals, are naturally resistant to spectinomycin (Fromm et al., 1987). FLARE-S, however, confers resistance to streptomycin as well (Svab and Maliga, 1993). Therefore, selection for transplastomic lines was carried out on selective streptomycin medium (100 mg/L). Streptomycin at this concentration inhibits the growth of embryogenic rice cells. After bombardment, the rice cells were first

selected in liquid embryogenic AA medium, then on the solid plant regeneration medium, on which the surviving resistant cells regenerated green shoots (12 in 25 bombarded plates). These shoots were rooted, and grown into plants. PCR amplification of border fragments in DNA isolated from the leaves of these plants confirmed integration of *aadA11gfp-S3* sequences in the plastid genome (Fig. 26). The left and right border fragments can not be amplified if the gene is integrated into the nuclear genome, as one of the primers (O4 or O6) of the pairs is outside the plastid targeting regions.

FLARE11-S3 expression in the leaves of two of the PCR-positive plants was tested by confocal laser-scanning microscopy. In rice, as in tobacco, the FLARE-S marker confirmed segregation of transplastomic and wild-type plastids (Fig. 27). In rice only a small fraction of chloroplasts expressed FLARE-S. Since individual cells marked with arrows in Fig. 27 contained a mixed population of wild-type and transgenic chloroplasts, FLARE-S in these cells could be expressed only from the plastid genome. Integration of *aadA11gfp-S3* into the nuclear genome downstream of plastid-targeting transit peptide would result in uniform expression of FLARE-S in each of the chloroplasts within the cell.

The sequences of the selectable marker genes of the invention are provided in Figures 28-34. Figure 35 depicts a table describing the selectable marker genes disclosed in the present example.

Direct visual identification of transplastomic sectors requires high level expression of FLARE-S in plastids. High GFP expression levels in Arabidopsis were toxic, interfering with plant regeneration. Toxicity of

wild-type (insoluble) GFP was linked to GFP accumulation in the nucleus and cytoplasm, and could be eliminated by targeting it to the endoplasmic reticulum (Haseloff et al., 1997). GFP aggregates were also cytotoxic to *E. coli* cells (Cramer et al., 1996). To enhance fluorescence intensity and to avoid cytotoxicity, soluble versions of the codon-modified GFP were obtained (Davis and Vierstra, 1998). We have utilized the gene for a soluble-modified GFP described by Davis and Vierstra (Davis and Vierstra, 1998) to create variants of FLARE-S, a fusion protein, which does not have an apparent cytotoxic effect. The frequency of plastid transformation, if affected at all, is increased rather than decreased. In tobacco, we normally obtain one transplastomic clone per bombarded leaf sample (Svab and Maliga, 1993), whereas with the FLARE-S genes on average we could recover two clones per sample. Plant regeneration from highly fluorescent tissue was readily obtained, and the regenerated plants have a phenotype indistinguishable from the wild type.

Plastid transformation in rice requires expression of the selective marker in non-green plastids. The rRNA operon has two promoters, one for the eubacterial-type (PEP) and one for the phage-type (NEP) plastid RNA polymerase. The promoter driving FLARE-S expression is recognized only by the eubacterial-type plastid RNA polymerase. Previously, it was assumed that the eubacterial-type promoter is active only in chloroplasts (Maliga, 1998). Accumulation of FLARE-S in roots and petals indicates that PEP is also active in non-green plastids.

Plastid transformation is a process that unavoidably yields chimeric plants, since cells of

higher plants contain a large number (300 to 50000) of  
plastid genome copies (Bendich, 1987), out of which  
initially only a few are transformed. High level  
expression of FLARE-S in plastids provides the means for  
visual identification of transplastomic sectors, even if  
they are present in a chimeric tissue. GFP and AAD could  
be expressed from two different genes in a plastid  
transformation vector. However, transformation with a  
marker gene encoding a bifunctional protein prevents  
separation of the two genes and simplifies engineering.  
The fluorescent selective marker will significantly  
reduce the work required to obtain genetically stable  
plastid transformants in tobacco, a species in which  
plastid transformation is routine. The bottleneck of  
applying plastid transformation in crop improvement is  
the lack of technology. In tobacco, chimeric clones with  
transformed plastids are readily identified by shoot  
regeneration (Svab et al., 1990). In Arabidopsis, clones  
with transformed plastids are identified by greening  
(Sikdar et al., 1998). We have shown here that FLARE-S  
is a suitable marker to select for transplastomes in  
embryogenic rice cells, which lack the visually  
identifiable tissue culture phenotypes exploited in  
tobacco and Arabidopsis. Data presented here are the  
first example for stable integration of foreign DNA into  
the rice plastid genome. These rice plants are  
heteroplastomic. Uniformly transformed rice plants will  
be obtained by further selection on streptomycin medium  
and screening the embryogenic cells for FLARE-S  
expression. Thus, the FLARE-S marker system will enable  
extension of plastid transformation to cereal crops.

#### The utility of the new chimeric promoters

The  $\sigma^{70}$ -type plastid ribosomal RNA operon promoter, Pr<sub>rrn</sub>, is the strongest known plastid promoter expressed in all tissue types. The ultimate product of this promoter in the plastid is RNA not protein. Therefore, a series of chimeric promoters were constructed to facilitate protein accumulation from Pr<sub>rrn</sub>, using expression of the neomycin phosphotransferase (NPTIII) enzyme as the reference protein.

1) The expression cassettes have distinct tissue-specific expression profiles. Some of the expression cassettes described here will facilitate relatively high levels of protein expression in all tissues, including leaves, roots and seeds. Other cassettes have different expression profiles: for example will facilitate moderate levels of protein accumulation in the leaves while lead to relatively high levels of protein accumulation in the roots. Accumulation of a protein at levels of 10% to 50% of total soluble protein is considered high-level protein expression; low-levels of protein expression would be in the range of  $\leq 0.1\%$  total soluble cellular protein.

2) Efficiency of the selectable marker gene depends on the rate at which the gene product accumulates during the early stage of transformation. Since initially present only in a few copies per cell, high levels of expression from a few copies will provide protection from toxic substances early on, facilitating efficient recovery of transformed lines. The expression cassettes will be useful to drive the expression of the genes conferring resistance to the antibiotics

streptomycin, spectinomycin and hygromycin, and the herbicides phosphinotrycin and glyphosate. In such applications addition of amino acids at the N-terminus is acceptable, as long as it does not interfere with the expression of the selectable marker genes. NPTII is such an enzyme. In cases like NPTII, an N-terminal fusion and thereby the mRNA "Downstream Box" sequences give an additional at least two to four-fold increase in protein levels. The -DB construct which relied on an *NheI* site, and involved addition of one (N-terminal) amino acid of the source gene coding region is convenient, but is not necessary. When translational fusion is not feasible due to inactivation of proteins, seamless in-frame constructs may be created by PCR methods outlined in the application.

3) A second major area on which application of the chimeric promoters is extremely useful is protein expression for pharmaceutical, industrial or agronomic purposes. The examples include, but are not restricted to, production of vaccines, healthcare products like human hemoglobin, industrial or household enzymes.

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While certain of the preferred embodiments of the present invention have been described and specifically  
35       exemplified above, it is not intended that the invention be limited to such embodiments. Various modifications may be made thereto without departing from the scope and spirit of the present invention, as set forth in the following claims.



What is claimed is:

- 5                   1. A recombinant DNA construct for expressing at least one heterologous protein in the plastids of higher plants, said construct comprising a 5' regulatory region which includes a promoter element, a leader sequence and a downstream box element operably linked to
- 10 a coding region of said at least one heterologous protein, said chimeric regulatory region enhancing translational efficiency of an mRNA molecule encoded by said DNA construct.
- 15                   2. A vector comprising the DNA construct of claim 1.
- 20                   3. A recombinant DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, said 5' regulatory region being selected from the group consisting of PrnnLatpB+DBwt, SEQ ID NO:1, PrnnLatpB-DB, SEQ ID NO:2, PrnnLatpB+DBm, SEQ ID NO:3, PrnnLclpP+DBwt, SEQ ID NO: 4, PrnnclpP-DB, SEQ ID NO:5, PrnnLrbcL+DBwt, SEQ ID NO:6, PrnnLrbcL-DB, SEQ ID NO:7, PrnnLrbcL+DBm, SEQ ID NO:8, PrnnLpsbB+DBwt, SEQ ID NO:9,
- 25 PrnnLpsbB-DB, SEQ ID NO:10, PrnnLpsbA+DBwt, SEQ ID NO: 11, PrnnLpsbA-DB, SEQ ID NO:12, PrnnLpsbA-DB(+GC), SEQ ID NO:13.
- 30                   4. A recombinant DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, said 5' regulatory region being selected from the group consisting of PrnnLT7g10+DB/Ec, SEQ ID NO:14,

PrnrLT7g10+DB/pt, SEQ ID NO:15, PrnrLT7g10-DB, SEQ ID NO:15.

5           5. A vector comprising a DNA construct as claimed in claim 1.

          6. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, said downstream box element having a sequence selected from the group consisting of  
10       5'TCCAGTCACTAGCCCTGCCTTCGGCA'3 and  
      5'CCCAGTCATGAATCACAAAGTGGTAA'3.

          7. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, wherein said heterologous protein is expressed from a  
15       bar gene encoded by *S. hydroscopicus* said bar gene inserted into a plasmid selected from the group consisting of pK012, and pJEK3, said pJEK3 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 18.

20           8. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, wherein said heterologous protein is expressed from a synthetic bar encoding nucleic acid, said synthetic bar nucleic acid having selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 19 and SEQ ID NO:20.

25           9. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 1, said at least one heterologous protein comprising a fusion protein.

30           10. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 9, said fusion protein having a first and second coding region operably linked to said 5' regulatory region such that production of said fusion protein is regulated by

said 5' regulatory region, said first coding region encoding a selectable marker gene and said second coding region encoding a fluorescent molecule to facilitate visualization of transformed plant cells.

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11. A vector comprising the DNA construct of claim 10.

12. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 9, said fusion protein consisting of an aadA coding region operably linked to a green fluorescent protein coding region.

13. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 10, said aadA coding region being operably linked to said green fluorescent protein coding region via a nucleic acid molecule encoding a peptide linker having a sequence selected from the group consisting of ELVEGKLELVEGLKVA and ELAVEGKLEVA.

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14. A DNA construct as claimed in claim 10, said construct having a sequence selected from the group of SEQ ID NOS: 21-25 and 27.

25

15. A plasmid for transforming the plastids of higher plants, said plasmid being selected from the group consisting of pHK30(B), pHK31(B), pHK60, pHK32(B), pHK33(B), pHK34(A), pHK35(A), pHK64(A), pHK36(A), pHK37(A), pHK38(A), pHK39(A), pHK40(A), pHK41(A), pHK42(A), pHK43(A), pMSK56, pMSK57, pMSK48, pMSK49, pMSK35, pMSK53 and pMSK54.

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16. A transgenic plant containing a plasmid as claimed in claim 15.

5 17. A transgenic plant as claimed in claim 15, said plant being selected from the group consisting of monocots and dicots.

10 18. A method for producing transplastomic monocots, comprising:

- a) obtaining embryogenic cells;
- b) exposing said cells to a heterologous DNA molecule under conditions whereby said DNA enters the plastids of said cells, said heterologous DNA molecule encoding at least one exogenous protein, said at least
- 15 one exogenous protein encoding a selectable marker;
- c) applying a selection agent to said cells to facilitate sorting of untransformed plastids from transformed plastids, said cells containing transformed plastids surviving and dividing in the presence of said
- 20 selection agent;
- d) transferring said surviving cells to selective media to promote shoot regeneration and growth; and
- e) rooting said shoots, thereby producing
- 25 transplastomic monocot plants.

19. A method as claimed in claim 18, wherein said heterologous DNA molecule is introduced into said plant cell via a process selected from the group consisting of

30 biolistic bombardment, Agrobacterium-mediated transformation, microinjection and electroporation.

20. A method as claimed in claim 18, wherein protoplasts are obtained from said embryogenic cells and said heterologous DNA molecule is delivered to said protoplasts by exposure to polyethylene glycol.

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21. A method as claimed in claim 18, wherein said selection agent is selected from the group consisting of streptomycin, and paromomycin

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22. A monocot transformed via the method of claim 18.

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23. A transformed monocot plant as claimed in claim 22, said monocot plant being selected from the group consisting of maize, millet, sorghum, sugar cane, rice, wheat, barley, oat, rye, and turf grass.

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24. A method for producing transplastomic rice plants, said method comprising:

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a) obtaining embryogenic calli;  
b) inducing proliferation of calli on modified CIM medium;

c) obtaining embryogenic cell suspensions of said proliferating calli in liquid AA medium;

30

d) bombarding said embryogenic cells with microprojectiles coated with plasmid DNA;  
e) transferring said bombarded cells to selective liquid AA medium;  
f) transferring said cells surviving in AA medium to selective RRM regeneration medium for a time period sufficient for green shoots to appear; and

g) rooting said shoots in a selective MS salt medium.

25. A method as claimed in claim 24, said plasmid DNA being selected from the group of plasmids consisting of pMSK35 and pMSK53, pMSK54 and pMSK49.

26. A transplastomic rice plant produced by the method of claim 24.

27. A method for containing transgenes in transformed plants, comprising:

a) determining the codon usage in said plant to be transformed and in microbes found in association with said plant; and

b) genetically engineering said transgene sequence via the introduction of rare codons to abrogate expression of said transgene in said plant associated microbe.

28. A method as claimed in claim 27, wherein said transgene is a bar gene and said rare codons are arginine encoding codons selected from the group consisting of AGA and AGG.



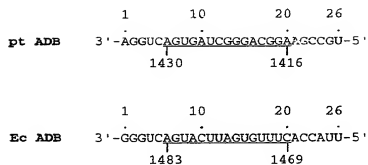


Figure 1B



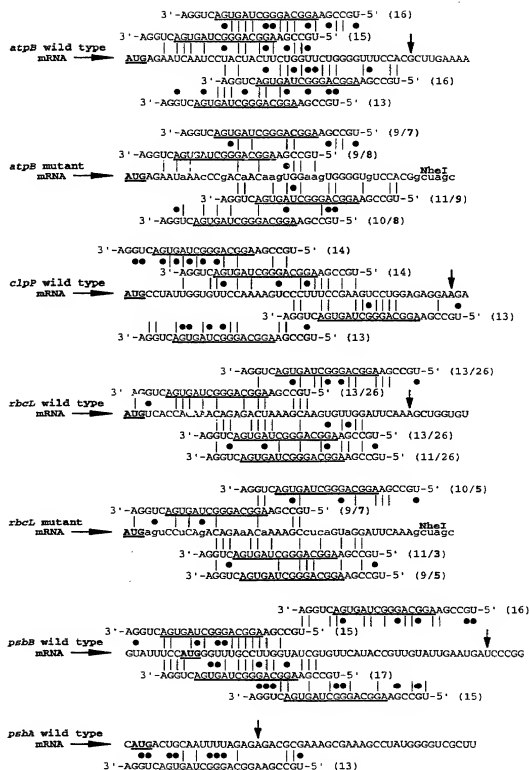


Figure 2A

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 Ec ADB 3'-GGGUCAGUACUUGAGCTTTCACCAUU-5' (15)  
  
 T7g10+DB/Ec mRNA    AUGGCaAGCAUGACUGGUGGACAGGcUagc            NheI  
                               | | | | | | ● | | | | | ●  
 pt ADB 3'-AGGUCAGUGAUCGGGACCGAAGCCGU-5' (13)  
  
 T7g10+DB/pt mRNA    AUGGCaAUGacuaagcccuugccuuGcUagc            NheI  
                               | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ●  
 pl ADB 3'-AGGUCAGUGAUCGGGACCGAAGCCGU-5' (21)  
  
 T7g10-DB mRNA        ACAUAUGGcuaagcauugaacaaggauggaugcau            NheI            neo  
                               | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ●●  
 pt ADB 3'-AGGUCAGUGAUCGGGACCGAAGCCGU-5' (14)

Figure 2B

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**PrrnLrbcl+DBwt (pHK14)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG TCGAGTAGAC  
 101 CTGTGTGTTG TGAA AATTCT TAATTCATGA GTTGTAGGGA GGGATTATG  
 151 TCACCACAAA CAGAGACTAA AGCAAGTGT GGATTCAAag ctacg  
 NheI

**PrrnLrbcl-DB (pHK15)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG TCGAGTAGAC  
 101 CTGTGTGTTG TGAA AATTCT TAATTCATGA GTTGTAGGGA GGGATTATG  
 151 TCAgctacg  
 NheI

**PrrnLrbcl+DBm (pHK54)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG TCGAGTAGAC  
 101 CTGTGTGTTG TGAA AATTCT TAATTCATGA GTTGTAGGGA GGGATTATG  
 151 aguCCuCaG A CAGAAACaAA AGCCucaGTa GGATTCAAag ctacg  
 NheI

**PrrnLpsbB+DBwt (pHK16)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG CAATGCAATA  
 101 AAGTTACGTA GTGTCTATTT ATCTTTGATA TAAGGGGTAT TTCCATGGGT  
 151 TTGCCTTGGT ATCGTGTCA TACCGTTGTA TTGAATGATg ctacg  
 NheI

**PrrnLpsbB-DB (pHK17)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG CAATGCAATA  
 101 AAGTTACGTA GTGTCTATTT ATCTTTGATA TAAGGGGTAT TTccatggct  
 151 agc  
 NcoI NheI

**Figure 3B**

**PrrnLpsbA+DBwt (pHK21)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCGCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGA<sup>•</sup> AAAAGCCTTC  
 101 CATTTTCTAT TTTGATTGT AGAAAAGTAG TGTGCTTGGG AGTCCCTGAT  
 151 GATTAAATAA ACCAAGATT TACCATGACT GCAATTTTAG AGAGagctag  
 201 c

**PrrnLpsbA-DB (pHK22)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCGCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGA<sup>•</sup> AAAAGCCTTC  
 101 CATTTTCTAT TTTGATTGT AGAAAAGTAG TGTGCTTGGG AGTCCCTGAT  
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 NcoI NheI

**PrrnLpsbA-DB (+GC) (pHK23)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCGCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGA<sup>•</sup> CAAAAGCCT  
 101 TCCATTTTCT ATTTTGATT GTAGAAAAGT AGTGTGCTTG GGAGTCCCTG  
 151 ATGATTAAAT AAACCAAGAT TTAccatgg ctagc  
 NcoI NheI

**Figure 3C**

**PrrnLT7g10+DB/Ec (pHK18)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTCTGGGAG● GGAGACCACA  
 101 ACGGTTTCCC aCTAGAAATA ATTTTGTTTA ACTTTAAGAA GGAGATATAC  
 NheI  
 151 ATATGGCaAg CATGACTGGT GGACAGgcta gc

**PrrnLT7g10+DB/pt (pHK19)**

SacI  
 1 gagctcGCTC CCCC GCCGTC GTTCAATGAG AATGGATAAG AGGCTCGTGG  
 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTCTGGGAG● GGAGACCACA  
 101 ACGGTTTCCC aCTAGAAATA ATTTTGTTTA ACTTTAAGAA GGAGATATAC  
 NheI  
 151 ATATGGCaAt cactagccct gccttGgcta gc

**PrrnLT7g10-DB (pHK20)**

SacI  
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 51 GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTCTGGGAG● GGAGACCACA  
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 NheI  
 151 ATATGgctag c

**Figure 3D**

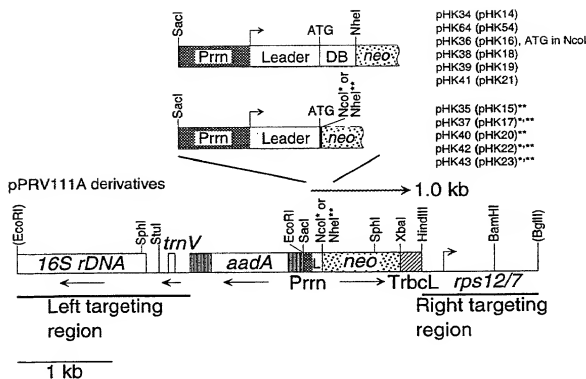


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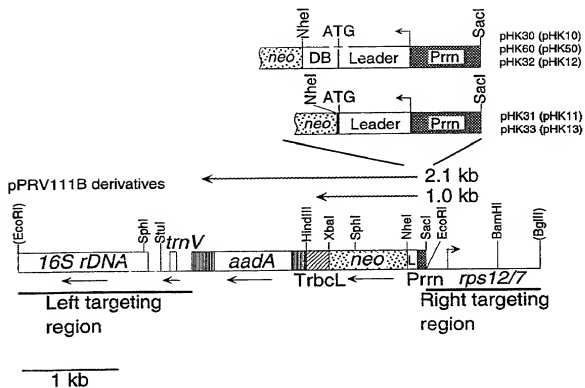
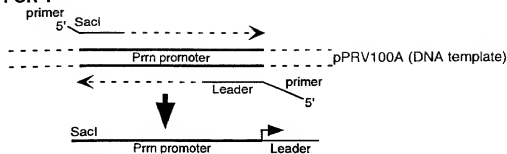
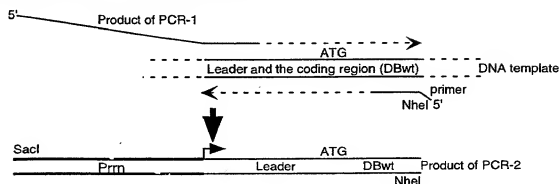
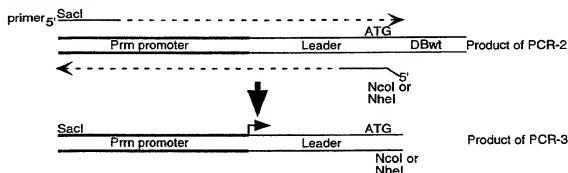
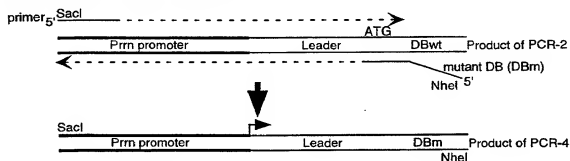


Figure 4B



**PCR-1****PCR-2: Construct with wild-type DB (DBwt)****PCR-3: Construct without DB****PCR-4: Construct with mutant DB (DBm)****Figure 5**

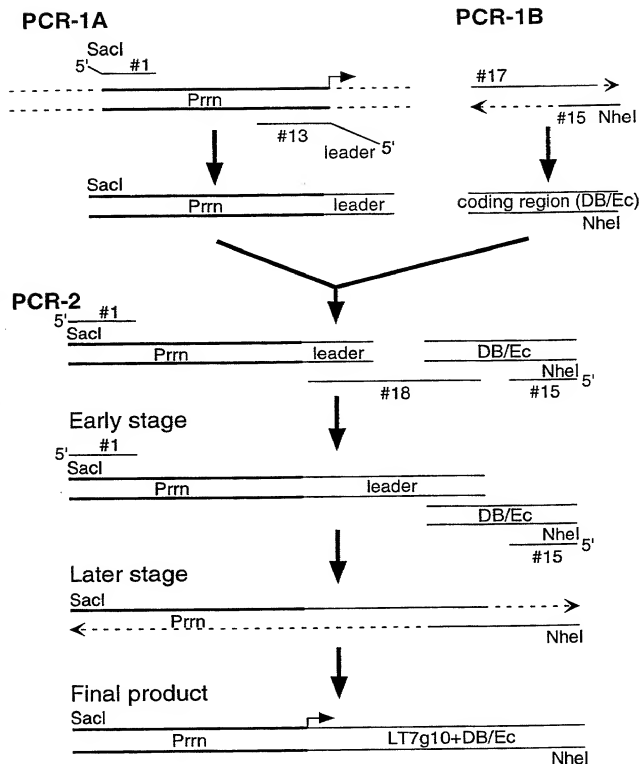


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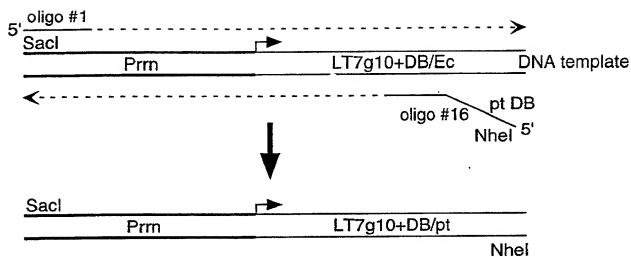


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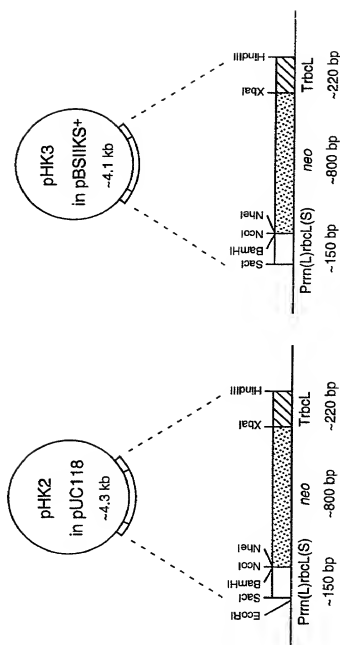


Figure 8

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 51 AGGCTCGTGG GATTGACGTG AGGGGGCAGG GATGGCTATA TTTCTGGGAG  
 101 CGAACTCCGG GCGAATAcGA AGCGCtTGGa TACAGTTGTA GGGAGGGATc NcoI  
 151 catggctagc ATTGAACAAG ATGGATTGCA CGCAGGTTCT CCGGCCGCTT  
 201 GGGTGGAGAG GCTATTCCGC TATGACTGGG CACAACAGAC AATCGGCTGC  
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 301 TGTCAGACC GACCTGTCCG GTGCCCTGAA TGAACCTCAG GACGAGGCAG  
 351 CGCGGCTATC GTGGCTGGCC ACGACGGGCG TTCCTTGCGC AGCTGTGCTC  
 401 GACGTTGTCA CTGAAGCGGG AAGGGACTGG CTGCTATTGG GCGAAGTGCC  
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 501 TCATGGCTGA TGCAATGCCG CGGCTGCATA CGCTTGATCC GGCTACCTGC  
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 601 GGAAGCCGGT CTTGTCGATC AGGATGATCT GGACGAAGAG CATCAGGGGC  
 651 TCGCGCCAGC CGAACTGTTC GCCAGGCTCA AGGCGCGCAT GCCCGACGGC  
 701 GAGGATCTCG TCGTGACACA TGGCGATGCC TGCTTGCCGA ATATCATGGT  
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Figure 9

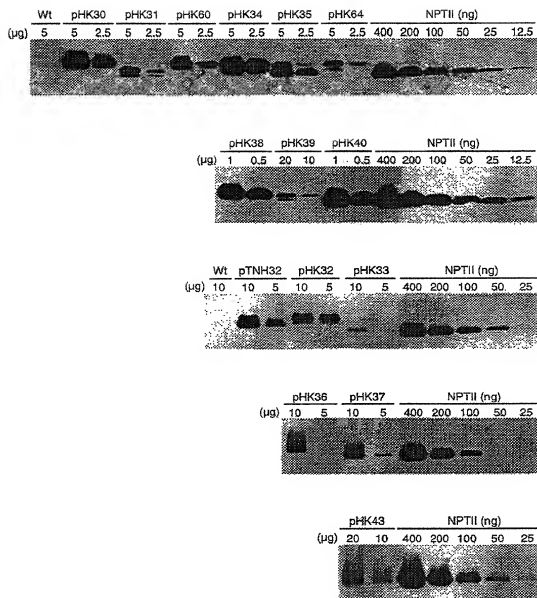


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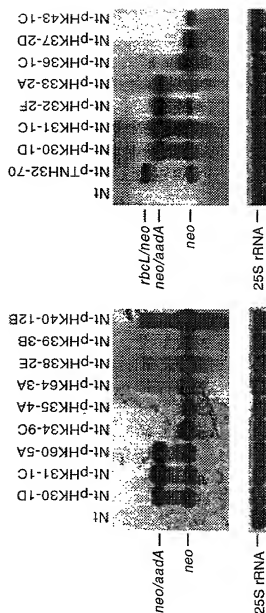


Figure 11

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	Met	Arg	Ile	Asn	Pro	Thr	Thr	Ser	Gly	Val	Ser	Thr		
	1.0	0.22	0.27	0.61	0.30	0.37	0.37	0.31	0.38	0.31	0.26	0.35	0.14	0.15
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	7.8	15.5	18.1	13.5	18.4	18.4	20.2	28.2	20.2	19.2	24.9	9.1	7.5
atpB m	AUG	AGA	Ala	Aac	CCg	ACa	ACa	AGu	GGa	AGU	GGG	GUg	UCC	ACG
	Met	Arg	Ile	Asn	Pro	Thr	Thr	Ser	Gly	Val	Ser	Thr		
	1.0	0.22	0.29	0.39	0.30	0.23	0.23	0.14	0.24	0.14	0.26	0.21	0.14	0.15
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	7.8	15.6	11.4	13.2	11.7	11.7	9.3	17.9	9.3	19.2	15.3	9.1	7.5
rbcL wt	AUG	UCA	CCA	CAA	ACA	GAG	ACU	AAA	GCA	AGU	GUU	GGA	UUC	AAA
	Met	Ser	Pro	Gln	Thr	Glu	Thr	Lys	Ala	Ser	Val	Gly	Phe	Lys
	1.0	0.21	0.24	0.57	0.23	0.38	0.37	0.60	0.29	0.14	0.35	0.24	0.40	0.60
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	13.5	10.6	21.0	11.7	12.4	18.4	22.0	18.1	9.3	24.9	17.9	22.5	22.0
rbcL m	AUG	agu	CCu	CAG	ACA	GAA	ACA	AAA	GCc	uca	GUA	GSA	UUC	AAA
	Met	Ser	Pro	Gln	Thr	Glu	Thr	Lys	Ala	Ser	Val	Gly	Phe	Lys
	1.0	0.14	0.30	0.43	0.23	0.62	0.23	0.60	0.16	0.21	0.31	0.24	0.40	0.60
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	9.3	13.5	15.5	11.7	20.7	11.7	22.0	10.1	13.5	21.8	17.9	22.5	22.0
T7g10-DB/Ec	AUG	Gca	AGC	AUG	ACU	GGU	GGA	CAG	gcu	agc	auu	gaa	caa	gau
	Met	Ala	Ser	Met	Thr	Gly	Gly	Gln	Ala	Ser	Ile	Glu	Gln	Asp
	1.0	0.29	0.07	1.00	0.37	0.38	0.24	0.43	0.39	0.07	0.45	0.62	0.57	0.75
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	18.1	4.7	24.6	18.4	28.2	17.9	15.5	24.4	4.7	25.9	20.7	21.0	24.6
T7g10-DB/pt	AUG	Gca	Auc	acu	agc	ccu	gcc	uug	gcu	agc	auu	gaa	caa	gau
	Met	Ala	Ile	Thr	Ser	Pro	Ala	Leu	Ala	Ser	Ile	Glu	Gln	Asp
	1.0	0.29	0.27	0.37	0.07	0.30	0.16	0.24	0.39	0.07	0.45	0.62	0.57	0.75
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	18.1	15.5	18.4	4.7	13.5	10.1	34.7	24.4	4.7	25.9	20.7	21.0	24.6
T7g10-DB	AUG	gcu	agc	auu	gaa	caa	gaa	gga	uug	cac	gca	ggc	ucc	ccg
	Met	Ser	Ile	Glu	Gln	Asp	Gly	Leu	His	Ala	Gly	Ser	Pro	
	1.0	0.39	0.07	0.45	0.62	0.57	0.75	0.24	0.24	0.28	0.29	0.38	0.31	0.30
Fraction														
Triplet/1000	24.6	24.4	4.7	25.9	20.7	21.0	24.6	17.9	34.7	9.1	18.1	28.2	20.2	13.2

Figure 12



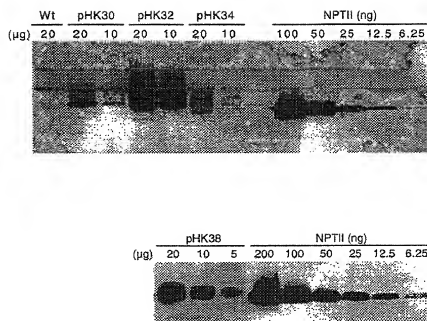


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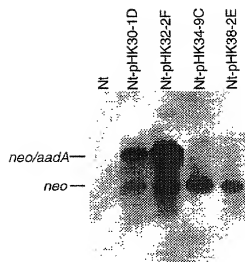


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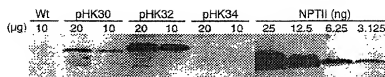


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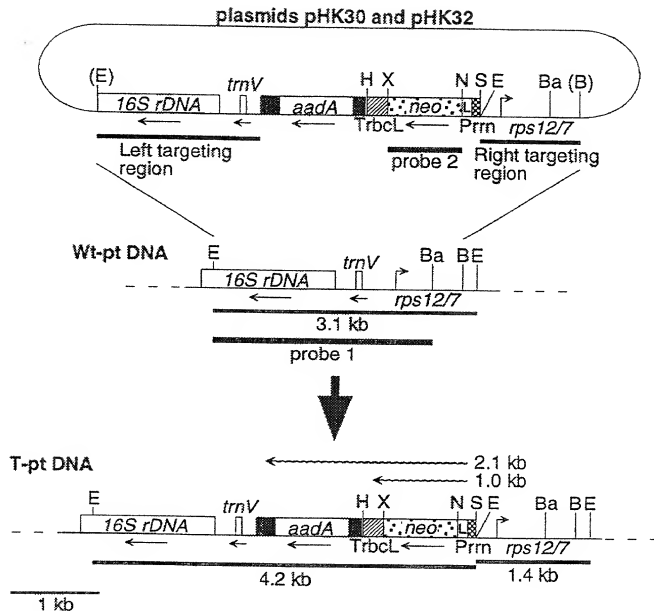


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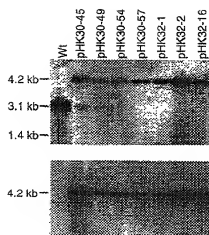


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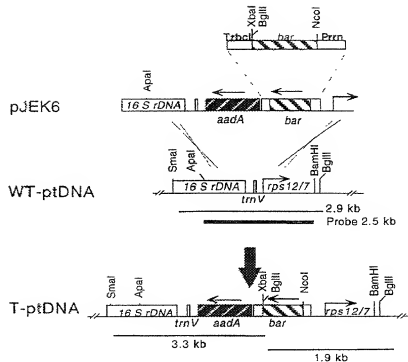


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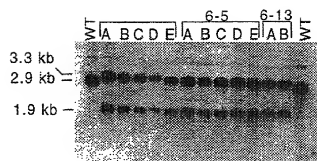


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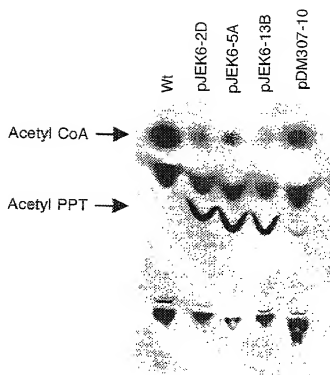


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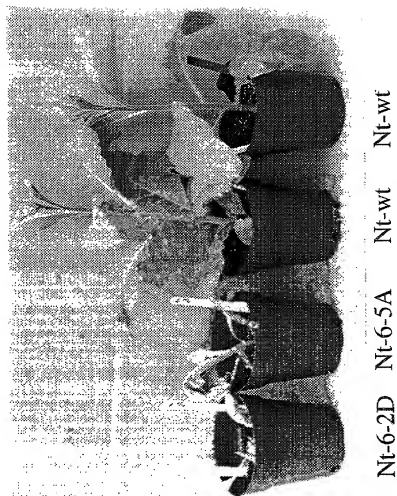


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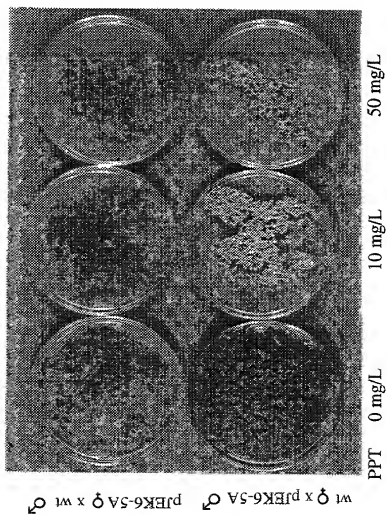


Figure 18B

## NcoI

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 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+ 120  
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## BglII

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## XbaI

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Figure 19

NcoI NheI

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BglII

XbaI

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V T E I \* \*

Figure 20A

## NcoI NheI

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## BglIII XbaI

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Figure 20B

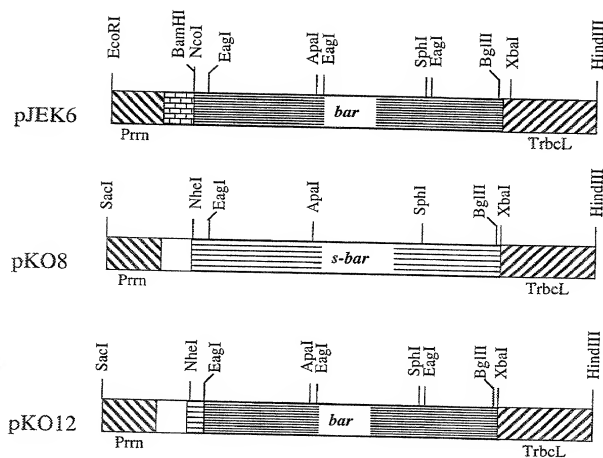


Figure 21

## Bacterial Extracts



Figure 22A

## Plant Extracts

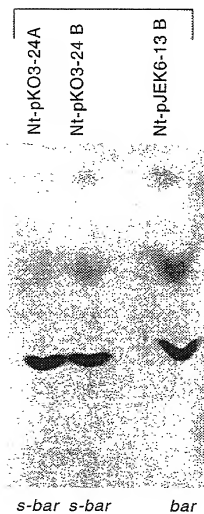


Figure 22B



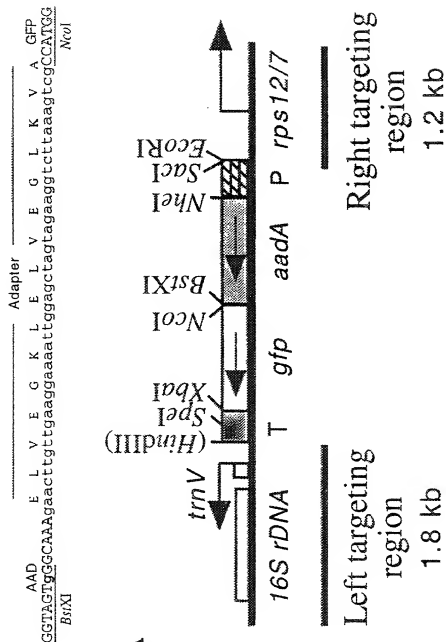


Figure 23A

Figure 23B

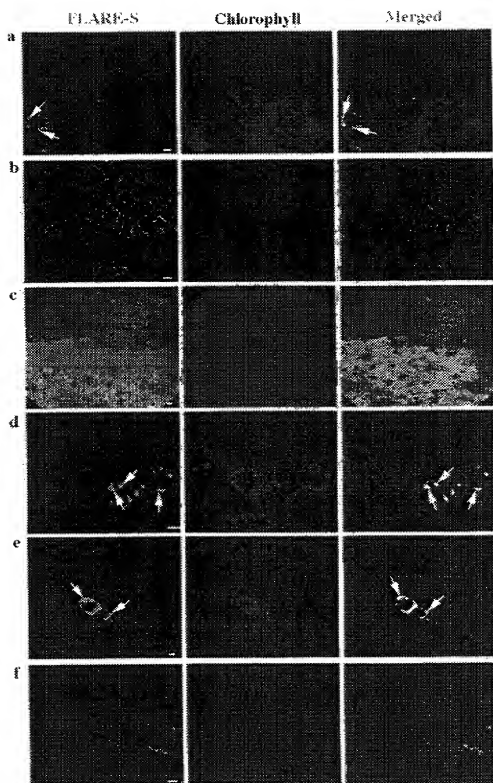


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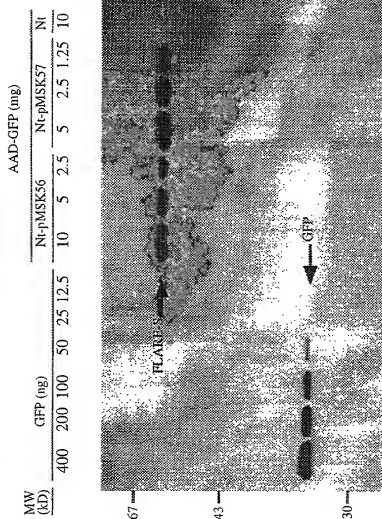


Figure 25

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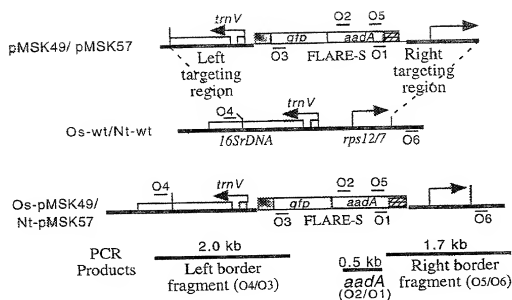


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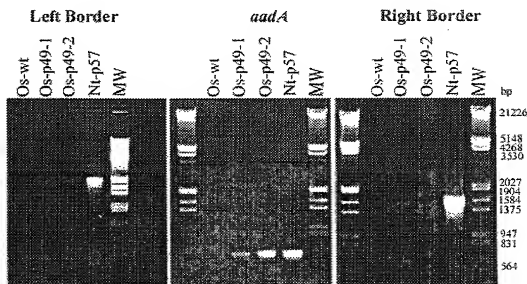


Figure 26B



Figure 27

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 151 ttgatttgct ggttacggTG ACCGTAAgTC TTGATGAAC AACGCGGCGA  
 201 gctttgatca acgacctttt GGAACATTG GCTTCCCCTG GAGGAGCGGA  
 251 gatttcccgc GCTGTAGAAG TCACCATGT TGTGCACGAC GACATCATT  
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Figure 28

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Figure 29

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Figure 30



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Figure 31

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 301 **CCGTACATTT** GTACGGCTCC GCACTGGATG CGCGCCTGAA GCCACACAGT  
 351 **GATATTGATT** TGCTGGTTAC GGTGACCGTA AGGCTTGATG AAACAACGGC  
 401 **GCGAGCTTTG** ATCAACGACC TTTTGGAAAC TTCGCTTCC CCTGGAGAGA  
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Figure 33A

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251	TAGTGGCAAC	TAAACACGAG	GGTTGCGCTC	GTTCGAGAC	TTAACCCACAC
301	ACCTTTACGCG	ACGAGCTGAC	GACAGCCATG	CACCACCTGT	GTCCGCGGTC
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501	GGCGGGGATC	TTAACGCGTT	AGCTACAGCA	CTGCACGGGT	CGAGTCGCAC
551	AGCACTTAGT	ATCCATCGTT	TACGGCTAGG	ACTACTGGGG	TCTCTAATCC
601	CATTTCCTCC	CCTAGCTTTC	GTCTCTCAGT	GTCACTGTCC	GGCCAGCAGA
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Figure 33B

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Figure 34A

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201	TCCTCTTCT	CGGGCTTAAC	ACCGCGCGTC	TGTTGAGGAT	TCCAACTCCA
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Figure 34B

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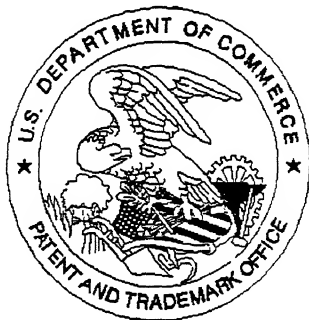
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